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Call him not old whose vision-ary brain  
 Holds o'er the past the undivided reign.  
 For him, in vain the envious seasons roll,  
 Who bears eternal summer in his soul.  
 If yet the minstrel's song, the poet's lay,  
 Spring with her birds, or children with their play,  
 Or maiden's smile, or heavenly dream of art,  
 Stir the few life-drops creeping round his heart—  
 Turn to the record where his years are told—  
 Count his grey hairs—they cannot make him old.  
 —Oliver Wendell Holmes

Portland should be a heavenly place to reside, if the Chinese continue to burn one devil a week for a few months.

Honest ignorance is more to be admired than an education used for a wrong purpose. The soul within regulates the standard of the man within.

More local history and current events and less ancient history and mythology should be taught in the public schools. Read Eva Emery Dymore and Xenophon less. Leave room in your mind for more living facts, even though you grow out a few swathed mummies.

Higher salaries for teachers, fewer studies in the lower grades of the public schools, more practical questions and fewer nerve-racking tests on far-fetched subjects in teachers' examinations, the addition of practical business branches to the high school studies to keep pace with the times—these are some of the thoughts that should find utterance in the resolutions to be passed by the teachers now in session in this city.

On the recent visit in Des Moines, Iowa, a Pendleton man saw a banner stretched across a street, bearing the legend: "Walla Walla Fruit." He went down to have a feast of luscious pears and grapes, and was dumfounded to find that the entire shipment of peaches, pears, prunes and plums bore the stamp of Milton, Ore., on every box and that there was actually not a box of native Walla Walla fruit in the store. True, the stuff had been shipped from Walla Walla, but it was all Oregon "thunder." In this way Oregon is robbed of her just dues, while she supplies the goods that bring Walla Walla her glory. Pendleton prices are never quoted in the wheat markets, but Walla Walla has a fixed place in every market in the world. Why is it that we sit idly by and let Washington absorb and appropriate the credit that should come to Oregon? The Oregon brand should be placed in flaming colors on every Oregon product exported.

All is not peace in Panama. John Barrett's recent assurance that the disturbances there have been magnified for political effect, is now seen to be one of Barrett's regular pipe dreams for his party, regardless of the welfare of the government. To prove that the president didn't believe Barrett's assurance of peaceful conditions in Panama, he orders Secretary Taft to go personally to the isthmus and investigate the disturbances. If possible, the American people now have less confidence in Barrett than ever. He wilfully concealed the true conditions in Panama, wilfully lied to the state department when he said only last week that disturbances in Panama were being enlarged for political effect, and risked precipitating an open rupture between that government and the United States, in order to shield the administration from the embarrassment of a rupture during the presidential campaign. Barrett is not a representative of the interests of the

American people. He has betrayed his trust to deceive the people, has been caught in the betrayal and has received an open rebuff from the president. In the president's act in ordering Taft to go to Panama and settle the trouble in the face of Barrett's assurance that there was no trouble.

Nine hundred shots a minute; every shot good for a man and every man an immortal soul. That is the last record of the military murdering engineer. The Colt rapid fire gun, one of the latest models of field pieces, has a capacity of 900 shots per minute for eight minutes, or until the gun metal gets so hot it must be cooled off. For two minutes it must then rest and be "swabbed" out with cold water, when it is ready for another murderous fusillade of 7200 shots. This piece of war machinery weighs but 260 pounds mounted, can be hauled all over a battlefield with one mule or picked up by two husky gunners and carried bodily from position to position and fired with such demoralizing and murderous effect that it can drive an army before it. Such is the last achievement of the military murdering engineer. Doesn't it really seem a disgrace to civilization to think that such consummate genius should be so wantonly wasted—and worse than wasted, because used to accomplish wholesale destruction of human life? Of what avail is it that parents rear their children, educate them, strive for them, struggle for them, and die in the heart-breaking task of making honorable men and women of them, when the boys are in line to be targets for such engines and the girls will rear other sons to be victims to the same Moloch, at a later day? Isn't it time to turn back from this insane glory of militarism? Isn't it time to think seriously about making peace and not war, the watchword of the world?

## A MAN FOR \$1.

Who wants to pay \$1 for a chance in a man? The man lives in Arizona, and he has a gambling proposition to offer, knowing how the element of chance appeals to every woman. He has written to the postoffice department asking if it is against the law for him to put himself up at a dollar a chance. Here is the letter, but the postoffice officials refuse to allow the writer's name to be made public.

"Tombstone, Ariz.—Assistant Postmaster General, Washington, D. C.—Dear Sir: I wish to ask a question in regard to the Postal Laws. Would it be against the Postal law for me to advertise and Raffle My Self off. There are so Many Men in the Western states and so few Women I have decided to Raffle My Self off Say at 2500 Chances at one dollar Per Chance and Each Lady Buying a Chance will get a number and the one drawing the Lucky Number will get Me and the Money is to Start us up in Life. I wish to advertise in the Eastern Papers and would Receive the Remittances through the Mails. Please let me no if the laws would object to Such a scheme."

The postal laws relating to the subject say it is unlawful to "conduct any lottery, gift enterprise or scheme for the distribution of money or of any real or personal property by lot, chance or drawing of any kind" or to use the mails for advertising or otherwise forwarding such schemes. Whether the writer of the above letter comes under this law the postoffice department will not attempt to decide.—New York Herald.

## OKLAHOMA HONEYMOONS.

The honeymoon, as the term usually implies, says the Enterprise of Mutual, Okla., is about as scarce in this section as snowballs in August. We do not mean to convey that our people never get married, for weddings are getting of such common occurrence that the boys forget to serenade the contracting parties any longer.

When one of our young couples get married they do not spend a month honeymooning, like it is the custom in the East, but they settle down to the routine of life with the one harmonious purpose of building up a comfortable and happy home.

Instead of "spooning" around over the country, attracting the attention of everybody, looking sickeningly lovable, and calling each other all kinds of sweet little "chestnuts," the newly married may be found at work the next day following the nuptials. It may be the bride will put out a big washing, while the other half will be found plowing corn and carrying water simultaneously.

## NATURE'S LABORATORY WORK.

From the vegetable world a very considerable portion of the armamentarium of the physician is derived. True, he relies on the mineral world for curative agents, and also lays toll on the animal kingdom for certain things, ranging from leeches and spermaceti to wax and cod-liver oil. But the plant world affords him the bulk of his drugs and many of the most subtle principles used in the treatment of disease are fabricated in the laboratory presided over by Dame Nature herself.—San Francisco Call.

## SEE THAT HUMP.

This life is all a masquerade. Because it costs us dearly. To show ourselves just as we are—To meet our friends sincerely. If man would but forsake the pad That swells his puny shoulder, The girl would never more believe The val'rous tales he told her.  
 —Cleveland Leader.

## SOLD HIS WIFE FOR \$3.

Having sold his wife for \$3, George Rosengrant of Pennsylvania, now wants to marry again. He has begun suit for divorce, and there probably will be no defense, as the wife is now living happily with Raymond Palmer, her purchaser.

All three live in the lumber district of Wyoming county around South mountain. Four years ago, after having lived together for some years, Rosengrant and his wife grew tired of each other. Rosengrant notified the admiration of his cousin, Raymond Palmer, for his wife. With a business acumen which might have made him rich, but has not, Rosengrant took Palmer aside.

"Why don't you get a woman, Raymond?" he asked. "You need one to look after you and keep your cabin on South mountain."

"Yep," said Palmer, "but women ain't so easy to find—the woman a fellow wants."

"Well, there is my woman now," said Rosengrant.

Then the men came quickly to an understanding. Money is scarce on South mountain, and \$3 is a big sum. Rosengrant finally offered to sell his wife for that amount, provided she was willing.

"All right," said the wife, "but what about the little girl?"

"Oh, I'll throw her in," said Rosengrant. He then drew up the following agreement:

"July 5, 1900.—Raymond Palmer Bought George Rosengrant woman of him for \$3.00 dollars and the little girl throw in and he agreed to not bother me nor me to bother him."

"GEO. ROSEGRANT."

The "goods" were delivered at once. Rosengrant took "his woman" and his little girl, then 8 years old, over to Palmer's log cabin on the top of South mountain, and there he was an honored guest at the celebration which followed the transfer.

So elated was he, in fact, that he bought a pig with the \$3 and donated it for the "wedding feast." He remained for several days, during which the celebration continued, and finally bade his wife and child goodbye.

Since then the woman and child have lived happily with Palmer, while Rosengrant has wandered from place to place, until he is now seized with the desire to have a home and a wife again. The girl whom he intends to marry insists upon the divorce.

## SELF-PROPELLED CARS.

In England the self-propelled railway car is coming into extensive use, especially on branch lines where the traffic is so small as not to warrant the operation of steam locomotives or the application of electricity.

Recently one of the largest electrical manufacturing firms in America has ordered in England an oil engine for this purpose, which will be used with a dynamo to generate current for ordinary car motors. The advantage of such an installation is that there is no loss of fuel when the car is not in motion and that the motor can be put into operation at an instant's notice.

The machinery is placed in a small compartment at the end of the car requires but little attention. Such cars, driven by various forms of motors, have been found of especial value in England to bring passengers to main electric and steam lines, and it would seem as if there was an equal field of usefulness for them in the United States.—Harper's Weekly.



Just a little too far and the woman who reaches over the cliff for the coveted flower goes crashing down into the abyss below. Just a little too far and the woman, who, day by day, neglects to cure the womanly diseases which weaken her is prostrated upon a bed of sickness.

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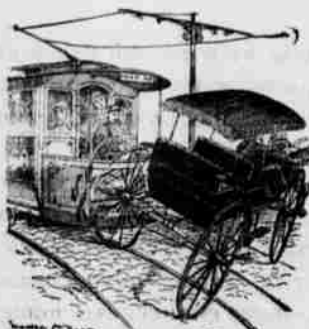
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